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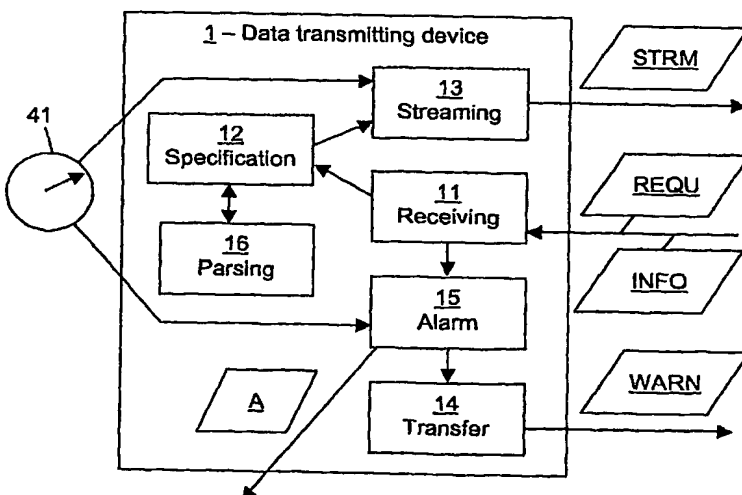
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(57) Abstract: The present invention concerns data requesting and transmitting devices and processes. It relates notably to a data transmitting device (1) comprising means for receiving (11) requests (REQU) of determined data from a requesting device, specification means (12) for determining at least one size of successive portions of those data, and means for triggering streaming (13) of the data portions to the requesting device. The receiving means receive information (INFO) representative of capacities of the requesting device, and the specification means (12) determine the portion size and at least one delay between two successive sending steps of those portions, in function of that information. Thus, the streaming means periodically trigger streaming of the data portions, with a period equal to that delay. Application to VOD.

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